

SS SB 782 -- TEACHER CERTIFICATION

SPONSOR: Romine (Funderburk)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 12 to 5.

This bill allows a person who has been certified by the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) to obtain Missouri teacher certification in the area of elementary education upon the completion of 90 contact hours in the classroom, of which at least 30 must be in an elementary classroom.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that this change allows a teaching certificate in elementary education, which was not permitted under the original adoption of the ABCTE system in 2008.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Funderburk for Senator Romine.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.